



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1714

Serial No.: 10/500,867

Examiner: Vickey M. Ronesi

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For: AN AGENT FOR SUPPRESSING TRANSFER OF ODOR AND TASTE ORIGINATING FROM A DIACETAL, A DIACETAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING THE AGENT FOR SUPPRESSING TRANSFER OF ODOR AND TASTE, A POLYOLEFIN NUCLEATING AGENT COMPRISING THE COMPOSITION, A POLYOLEFIN RESIN COMPOSITION AND MOLDED PRODUCT COMPRISING THE NUCLEATING AGENT

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: September 7, 2007

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of June 7, 2007, requiring restriction between two alleged inventions under the provisions of 35 USC § 121.

In the Action, the examiner made a restriction requirement between the inventions of **Group I** drawn to an agent (claims 1-8); and **Group II** drawn to a diacetal composition and polyolefin nucleating agent (claims 9-24).

Applicants hereby provisionally elect **Group II, that is, claims 9-24**, for examination on the merits in this application. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Favorable consideration of the subject application is respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, the undersigned hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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